

## MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

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## AIR QUALITY ADVISORY/PRESS RELEASE

The Matanuska-Susitna Borough is issuing an air quality advisory for Butte and surrounding areas, valid from 1:00pm, Tuesday, January 17, 2017, until 12:00pm Friday, January 20, 2017. With continued cold temperatures and decreased wind activity there is potential for lingering smoke in Butte and surrounding areas.

We are suggesting that residents voluntarily switch to the use of alternative heat sources or burn well-seasoned wood; and stop all outdoor burning including burn barrels, bon fires, campfires, and fire pits, as well as any open slash burning, during this time.

Please call the 24-hour Air Quality Alert System phone number, 352-3878, for information on air quality in the eastern Matanuska Valley. This advisory will expire 12:00pm Friday, January 20, 2017, or be updated if conditions change.

If you have any questions, please call the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Division at 861-7833.

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